

# DALLAS UNTIL JAN. 3; TESTS INDICATE GOOD MAJORITY FOR RATIFICATION

## Motion For Adjournment Was Made by Michael Collins—An Amendment to Continue Debate Was Defeated 77 to 44—Vote is Regarded as a Test of the Sentiment of Members, and is Regarded as Assuring a Substantial Majority For Acceptance of the Agreement—Clare County Council Voted 17 to 5 in Favor of the Treaty.

Dublin, Dec. 22 (By the A. P.)—The Daily Express by a vote of 77 to 44 decided today on a motion submitted by Michael Collins, to adjourn further debate on the Irish treaty until Tuesday, Jan. 3. It was not the motion itself, but an amendment to the motion, on which the vote was actually taken. The amendment introduced and seconded by Michael Collins, was that the debate should continue until Tuesday, Jan. 3, and that the vote should be taken on the treaty's ratification on that day.

The defeat of the amendment automatically decided the motion. With few exceptions, so far as could be observed, the vote followed the party lines of those favoring opposing the treaty.

Nobody tonight believes, of course, that a vote had been taken on the treaty itself, but the majority would have been so great as the vote on the amendment. The motion gave its supporters, but there is much to be said for the view that the vote following the debate carefully that this vote roughly approximates the sentiment for and against the treaty. This is denied by some of the opponents of the treaty, who assert that it was not a fair test, as many of the deputies on both sides, especially the country members, declined the idea of the debate continuing through Christmas, and voted for adjournment in order that they might get home for the holidays.

In fact, Countess Markiewicz, one of the strongest opponents of the treaty, remarked Mr. Collins' proposal, "appearing to have in mind, as indicated by her speech, a question of the possibility of a party division in the motion."

Mr. Collins showed eagerness to rush his motion through to quick decision. He actually checked Mr. Quinn, who interrupted the thinking of the vote to have the question turned up as to whether the motion required a two-thirds constituency should have two votes. Mr. Collins declared that he would not hear of having the fate of Ireland decided on the question of a technicality.

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### Five Other Robbers Were Put to Flight by Heroic Youth in a New York Real Estate Office.

New York, Dec. 22.—One automobile bandit was slain and a second seriously wounded in a pistol fight that followed an attempt late today to loot the offices of a real estate firm in West Sixty-third street, near Broadway. Four others escaped.

The bandits, finding Mrs. Mary Stockinger, apartment building superintendent, alone in the realty office, held her against the wall with revolvers and took \$300 from the safe.

A colored office boy, Charles Davis, returning from an errand, saw the hold-up through a window, procured his pistol in a nearby room, and when the bandits emerged opened fire. One fell dead, shot through the heart. Returning the fire, the others jumped into their taxi and sped west.

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## GERMANY ALLOWED TO KEEP 300 DIESEL ENGINES

Paris, Dec. 22 (By the A. P.)—The council of ambassadors has granted permission to Germany to retain until March three hundred Diesel engines which have been the subject of allied controversy since the armistice. This is the third postponement of final decision on a matter in which American business interests are much concerned.

The engines, admitted by the allied experts to be the finest airplane engines in existence today, were manufactured by Germany for her air service, but had not been placed in use when the armistice was signed.

The French have urged the destruction of the engines on the ground that Germany could not be trusted to put them to commercial use, but would retain them as potential war material. American and British interests have disputed this point of view on the theory that it is foolish to destroy a valuable piece of material which is hard to replace without great cost.

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## BRIEF TELEGRAMS

Cocaine said to be worth about \$20,000 retail was seized from a man in Buffalo, N. Y., by the narcotic squad.

Dr. John Glover Smith, the new American minister to Panama, has arrived there.

Quincy, Mass., plant of the Waltham Watch Co. was reopened after having been closed since July.

Price of refined sugar has been reduced to 15c cents a pound by New York by refiners.

President Harding nominated George L. Minot to be postmaster at Gardner, Mass.

Walter Harvey, a boy of 16 years, living apart from his parents in Boston, hanged himself.

Mexican chamber of deputies denounced the coup d'etat in Guatemala in a message to chambers of all other Latin-American republics.

Omni's Granddamsman, aged 27, was found dead near Lewiston, Me. His head was bruised. He was paid \$30 in wages Wednesday which was missing.

The state bank at Keathams, Clearfield County, Pa., was robbed by two men who carried off a sum of money, believed to be \$10,000 to \$20,000.

Divorces are decreasing in Manhattan. This year's divorce book reached its 1,197th case Wednesday. Last year there were 1,254 cases up to December 21.

A new powerful German wireless station has been constructed at Montevideo, in the Province of Buenos Aires.

Five armed bandits held up the skeleton branch of the Citizens' Trust & Savings bank at Columbus, O., and escaped with \$10,000.

The prohibition order making the provision of New Brunswick dry will become effective on January 10 under the terms of an order-in-council.

The unsuccessful majority campaign of John R. Murphy in Boston cost him \$10,000, and candidate Charles S. Baxter an even \$2,000.

The steamer Norfolk, bound from Portland, Me., for Philadelphia, reported lost today. The ship was anchored off Chatham with her steering gear disabled.

National assembly at Vienna reached a compromise plan to abolish bread subsidy, but the plan will not be accomplished gradually, lasting from January to May.

Fifteen people were hurt when a trolley car of the New Jersey & Delaware Valley Traction Co. line and a trolley freight car crashed in a head-on collision near Trenton.

Joint Council of United Shoe Workers of America at Lynn, Mass., refused to arbitrate with the Lynn Shoe Manufacturers' Association for settlement of the wage controversy.

El Paso, Texas, dispatch to the Stars and Stripes, reports former Lieutenant Frank H. (Hardbottle) Smith is now a colonel in President Obregon's army in Mexico.

Construction of a passenger tunnel under New York bay connecting Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, with Staten Island is proposed by transit commission at an estimated cost of \$25,000,000.

Robbers have taken \$10,000 worth of silverware, tapestries and other articles from the summer home of Baroness Jeanne d'Estrellis at Long Beach, N. Y.

Senator Walsh introduced a resolution asking congressional investigation into recent charges that examinations for promotion at naval air service officers were "unfair and unreasonable."

Congress recessed late yesterday until January 3 and immediately senators and representatives returned to their homes for the Christmas and New Year holiday period.

Three men lost their lives when the coal barge Dumont, New York, was frozen to death in the tug Mercury, founded off Minot's light in Wednesday night's gale.

The skeleton of a man found yesterday on a mountain peak of Orangeburg, N. Y., was believed to have been identified as that of Jacob Nell, a negro, who disappeared from his home in Newark several months ago.

A radio message received at Boston from the Cunard liner Verbania, London for Boston, said she was proceeding to Halifax, N. S., and the chief engineer of the ship, who was seriously ill with pneumonia.

British delegates to the Washington conference have agreed to ratify the Polk treaty of 1919, which will prevent the shipment of war material from one country to another, as a means to insure peace.

Dr. T. von Jazow, former police commissioner of Berlin, was found guilty in supreme court of Leipzig of participating in von Kapp revolution in Berlin, March, 1918. He was sentenced to two years imprisonment.

## Railroads are to Reduce Freight Rates

### Voluntary Cut of 10 Per Cent. For Six Months as an Experiment—Effective January 1.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 22.—(By the A. P.)—The railroads of the country will compute into effect on January 1, or as soon thereafter as possible, a voluntary 10 per cent. freight rate reduction on cotton, butter, poultry and other commodities, as well as the reduction by the interstate commerce commission for the western territory on grain and grain products and hay, according to a statement issued tonight by F. W. Robinson, freight manager of the Union Pacific System.

The voluntary 10 per cent. cut is to be effective for six months as an experiment and will apply to the entire country, he declared.

Mr. Robinson also announced the roads would continue until June 30, 1922, reduced rates on livestock and that a 10 per cent. cut in rates for livestock on which no cut has been made, would be put into effect on January 1.

The statement is as follows: "Reduction in the rates on grain, grain products, hay, butter, eggs, cheese and other commodities will be undertaken by carriers to become effective January 1, on one day's notice, or as soon thereafter as tariffs can be amended."

"A reduction of ten per cent. applying generally throughout the United States will be made on the following commodities:

"Cotton, butter, eggs, cheese, poultry, live or dressed; cottonseed, cottonseed hulls, unmanufactured tobacco, flax, flax seed, not in bales; wool, raw or preserved; flax, dried or evaporated, other than candied, canned, crystallized, glazed or stuffed; vegetables, fresh or green, dried or evaporated, wool and mohair."

## PROHIBITION CHIEF REPORTS THINGS ARE GOING WELL

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Safeguards on withdrawal of liquor from bond have reduced the domestic supply of illicit liquor fifty per cent., and "gentlemen's agreements" have materially checked liquor smuggling over the borders. Prohibition agents are confident that the future of their army of enforcement agents throughout the country.

"On the whole," he said, "things are going well, notwithstanding obstacles strewn along the path by antagonistic propaganda."

"I am happy to state at this glad Yuletide season," he added, "that most gratifying results are being secured in constructive enforcement of the eighteenth amendment."

"To all those who constitute the splendid prohibition organization in Washington, the forty-eight states of the Union, Alaska, Porto Rico and Hawaii, I extend the warmest Christmas greetings. The certain success of our task betokens a Christmas gift that will be of everlasting value."

## WOOL WORKERS' WAGES NOT TO BE REDUCED

Lawrence, Mass., Dec. 22.—William M. Wood, addressing employees of the American Woolen Company through The Worker, a company magazine appearing today, asks them to "pay no attention to rumors" of wage cuts. "Our directors," he says, "wish me to say to you that your wages for the coming year are not to be reduced."

He speaks of "an outstanding obstacle to which we would call your attention and which threatens the maintenance of the present standard of wages in the American Woolen Company; the consideration of certain wage rates in other states than Massachusetts where wages are lower than those in the American Woolen Company, and where wages are less. This must occur to you as an unfair competition, and one that affects you directly."

## C. V. FLAGMAN FOUND FROZEN TO DEATH

Belchertown, Mass., Dec. 22.—William Knowlton, 70, flagman at a Central Vermont railroad crossing here, was found frozen to death a short distance from his cabin early today. He apparently had been out in the cold for some time, and was found by a passing train.

The woman killed was Miss Minnie Ulrich, aged 20, of Seville avenue, Glenbrook, and the four men taken to the hospital are John Wilson, 34, of Seville avenue, Joseph Wilson, 34, of Fairfield avenue, both of Glenbrook; William Hill of Broad street, Stamford; and John W. Lawlor of Atlantic street, Stamford. The last named is a professional ball player.

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## FEW SPECTATORS ATTRACTED BY THE PRINCE OF WALES

Patna, British India, Dec. 22.—Owing to the previous declaration of a "hunting" season, the prince of Wales, who was expected to arrive today, attracted only a few spectators. The Durbar for the prince, which was subsequently held, proved a brilliant spectacle and elicited enthusiastic applause from the spectators.

## NEWSPAPER MEN ADJOURN IN RESPECT TO WATTESSON

Washington, Dec. 22.—A meeting of several hundred newspaper men held at the National Press club tonight to express appreciation for the manner in which press facilities have been handled at the arms conference adjourned out of respect to the late Henry Watterson and sent Mrs. Watterson a telegram of condolence.

## PHYSICIAN OF BRISTOL, R. I. CUTS HIS THROAT WITH A RAZOR

Bristol, R. I., Dec. 22.—Dr. Russell Shepard Church, aged 45, a prominent physician of the city and a member of the town council, cut his throat with a razor early today. He died later at a hospital in Providence. He had been in ill health for a year.

# GREAT BRITAIN IS WITHOUT SUPPORT IN ITS PLEA FOR BANISHMENT OF SUBMARINE

## Spokesmen of France, Italy and Japan Regard Submarines as a Legitimate and Valuable Arm of Naval Strength—American Delegates Took No Final Stand on the Question—A Further Exchange of Views on the British Proposal Will Take Place Today—French Delegates Were Not Prepared to Submit Estimates For Auxiliary Craft.

Washington, Dec. 22 (By the A. P.)—Great Britain's plea that the submarine be banished from the seven seas was presented to the arms conference today, but it received no support from any other power.

In turn, the spokesmen of France, Italy and Japan replied that they regarded submarines when properly employed, as a legitimate and valuable arm of naval strength, and were unprepared to see them abolished.

The American delegates took no final stand on the question, but suggested that the conference turn its efforts toward such a revision of international practices as would prevent a repetition of the ruthless submarine methods of the world war.

A further exchange of views on the British proposal will take place tomorrow unless France, whose representatives again are awaiting instructions from their government, is able to go ahead with the delayed presentation of estimates for auxiliary craft as desired to keep under the naval reduction program.

Today's discussions took place behind the closed doors of the committee room, but the British asked that their indictment of the submarine be made public, and indicated that they probably would carry their fight into an open session of the conference. They apparently do not hope to succeed, however, after today's expression of views, and are planning to join in the move for an understanding to restrict the operations of submarines in the future.

Announcement of the French that they were unprepared to present figures today as to their auxiliary tonnage requirements caused general surprise in the committee room. The French estimates were ready, but later it became apparent that cable exchanges of an important nature were in progress between the French and the British.

In these exchanges Secretary Hughes joined as the conference chairman, receiving word of the latest desires of the French premier in a message from Ambassador Harbord at London.

The nature of the exchanges was not revealed, but considerable significance was attached to a news dispatch from abroad saying that M. Briand felt he must consult with the French cabinet before making a definite answer to the message from Washington. That development generally was accepted as greatly diminishing the possibility of an agreement on auxiliary craft for several months.

Some circles professed to see a chance that some new issue had arisen which might again obscure some of the major plans of the conference.

While the naval problems were in the air, the secretary suggested that the conference might even consider whether use of submarines against merchant shipping under any circumstances should be forbidden.

At tomorrow's meeting, Admiral Dabron, for France, will make a further attack on the submarine.

## ONE WOMAN KILLED WHEN TRAIN STRUCK AUTOMOBILE

Stamford, Dec. 22.—One woman was killed and four men seriously hurt and another slightly hurt today when the automobile in which they were riding was struck by a train on the New Canaan branch of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad at Springfield, Conn. The explanation given for the accident was that the party, made up of employees of the Stamford rolling mills, was in a hurry to get to work and the driver of the automobile, who was driving on the railroad crossing ahead of the train.

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## FAMINE IN RUSSIA IS ABSOLUTELY GRASTLY

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"When a few months ago," continued Colonel Haskell, "the people were dying by hundreds, they are now dying by thousands. In a few months they will be dying by hundreds of thousands. One of the most fearful in the world, more than 100 million people, nearly two places where food could be had for less or more. In the Saratov district they are dying so fast that bodies are literally being hauled away by the cart-load."

America's greatest Christmas present to Russia, said Colonel Haskell, would be the passage of the twenty million dollar grain purchase bill. "This," he added, "would save from death a majority of the adult millions who otherwise are bound to perish. Of course, some in the remote districts and places that can't be reached will die anyway. But twenty million dollars worth of grain will save most of them."

The American Relief Administration will be feeding 1,200,000 children soon after the first of the year, according to Colonel Haskell. The program is now in full swing. He and Mr. Brown hope to be ready to feed adults also shortly if President Harding's proposal is carried out.

The bill appropriating \$20,000,000 for the relief of the famine stricken people of Russia through the purchase of grain has been adopted by congress at Washington. It now needs only the signature of President Harding to become effective.

## MADE SEIZURE OF LIQUOR WITH STOLEN WARRANT

Boston, Dec. 22.—United States District Attorney Robert O. Harris said today that the office of one of his assistants had been invaded late today night to obtain the warrant on which Prohibition Enforcement Officer Harold D. Wilson raided a room at the Quincy house and seized a quantity of liquor. The raid was made while a dinner in honor of Gov. Channing H. Cox was in progress on the floor below.

"I don't propose to permit any such thing in the future," the district attorney announced, "and I have asked the custodian of the federal building to find out how entrance was gained. It is hard enough to enforce prohibition in these days without such incidents as this. Spectacular raids help no one."

When the district attorney's statement was called to the attention of Mr. Wilson he said that neither he nor any of his assistants had "broken into" the federal building.

"The warrant was obtained in proper fashion and served properly," he said, refusing to comment on the matter further.